

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Richard Meyers, City Manager

SUBJECT: Friday Update

DATE: April 27, 2018

Social Media Stars in Cottage Grove

City staff and other community members became video stars with Rick Dancer and his ExplOregon That Oregon Live program. The shows have brought in about 40,000 views. All the ExplOregon videos in Cottage Grove can be found at: https://www.facebook.com/pg/ThatOregonLife/videos/?ref=page_internal. Videos included a tour of the Golf Course, Armory, Chambers Covered Railroad Bridge and Row River Trail as well as videos that toured Territorial Seed, Big Stuff Barbecue, Axe and Fiddle, Brewstation, Jack Sprats, Pacific Yurts, the Carousel Project and other businesses. Check out the videos and be sure to share the videos. Shares will help increase the viewer numbers. Thank you to everyone that made the videos a huge success.

Budget Committee Meeting

The Cottage Grove Budget Committee will be meeting on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 6:00 pm to receive the 2018-19 Proposed Budget. The budget is shaping up quite well and as a teaser, should be quite exciting to present. Staff will be busy doing last minute preparations, adjustments and reviews this weekend in order to have the document printed on Monday and Tuesday. We plan to deliver the 2018-19 Proposed Budgets to Budget Committee Members on Wednesday, May 2nd and the Proposed Budget will be posted on the City's website by the afternoon on Thursday, May 3rd.

Scenic Bikeway Advisory Committee Meeting

The City Manager attended a meeting of the State of Oregon Scenic Bikeway Advisory Committee on Thursday. The committee received an update from Oregon Parks and Recreation Department and a review of their goals and mission, an update from Travel Oregon and reviewed the annual reports from the 16 existing bikeways. The 17th bikeway was just designated by the Oregon Parks Commission in February and will do their first annual report next year. The committee also made preparations for upcoming evaluations of bikeways and the Oregon Bikeway Proponent Conference.

Yard of the Week

The Cottage Grove Yard of the Week program will be starting back up on Friday, May 11th. Nominations for single family residential yards can be submitted to the City Manager's office or to the Chamber of Commerce. The yards recognized will receive a credit for a month of water, a

gift certificate from the Chamber of Commerce and the fame and glory associated with the Yard of the Week sign posted in their yard for all their envious neighbors to see.

Classic Film at the Library

Please join us on Monday, April 30th at 1:00 pm for the screening of the 1952 classic film, "April in Paris" at the Cottage Grove Library. The film stars Doris Day and Ray Bolger and is about a chorus girl who is sent to represent the American Theater at an arts exposition in Paris. Come join this frolicsome duo in their splendid springtime spree in Patee. There will be free popcorn and beverages for all.

Teen Library Advisory Board Art Show at the Library

Friday, April 27th is the Grand Opening of the Teen Library Advisory Board Annual Art Show at the Cottage Grove Library. An amazing array of fine art has been submitted for the show this year that will be up for public display and public voting through May. The Award Ceremony for winning artists will be Friday, May 25th at 4:30 pm. Come view this inspiring art show hanging in the Art Gallery in the Cottage Grove Community Center.

Partners in History Exhibit at the Library

The Cottage Grove Museum has recently installed an exhibit of paintings by local artist Robert Drenner at the Cottage Grove Library. Mr. Drenner (1894-1971) was a wildlife artist and was known for his beautiful outdoor landscapes and scenes of different birds and other wildlife. He also painted beautiful desert scenes and murals. Please stop by the Cottage Grove Library sometime soon to view some of Robert Drenner's work.

Preservation Training

Staff members, Mike O'Reilly, Utility Maintenance Supervisor and Ron Bradsby, City Engineer attended a two day conference on Preventative Maintenance for Roadway Surfaces in Redmond. Sessions in the conference included Preventative Maintenance Techniques, Pothole Management, Crack Sealing, ADA/PROWAG Update, Chip Sealing Best Practices, Paving Best Practices, Slurry Seals and Thin Lift Overlays. The information learned will provide valuable practices and methods to keep good roads in good condition and help bring some of our bad roads into better condition.

Quote of the Week

"Don't worry about failures, worry about the chances you miss when you don't even try."

~Jack Canfield~